

- ~~(3) A multiple employer welfare arrangement;~~
- ~~(4) A multiple employer trust located in Maryland or any other state covering Maryland residents;~~
- ~~(5) A nonprofit health service plan that is licensed to operate in this State;~~
- ~~or~~
- ~~(6) Any other person or organization that provides health benefit plans subject to State insurance regulation.~~

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~~This Except as provided in § 706 of this subtitle, this subtitle applies only to carriers that offer health benefit plans covering eligible employees of small employers. }~~

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- ~~(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.~~
- ~~(b) "Actuarial certification" means a written statement, in a form approved by the Commissioner, by a member of the American Academy of Actuaries or other person acceptable to the Commissioner that a carrier is in compliance with the provisions of this subtitle.~~
- ~~(c) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the pool established under § 707 of this subtitle.~~
- ~~(d) "Carrier" means [a person that offers health benefit plans covering eligible employees of a small employer and that is]:~~
- ~~(1) An insurer that holds a certificate of authority in the State and provides health insurance in the State;~~
- ~~(2) A health maintenance organization that is licensed to operate in the State;~~
- ~~(3) A multiple employer welfare arrangement;~~
- ~~(4) A multiple employer trust located in Maryland or any other state covering Maryland residents;~~
- ~~(5) A nonprofit health service plan that is licensed to operate in the State; or~~
- ~~(6) Any other person or organization that provides health benefit plans subject to State insurance regulation.~~
- ~~(e) "Commission" means the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission established under Title 19, Subtitle 15 of the Health - General Article.~~
- ~~(f) "Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan" means the health benefit plan adopted by the Commission in accordance with § 700 of this subtitle and Title 19, Subtitle 15 of the Health - General Article.~~